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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of June 23, 2006, please amend the abovereferenced U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification and Abstract

Kindly replace the original specification and abstract with the enclosed substitute specification and abstract.